

FINAL AGENDA

**WATER POLICY INTERIM COMMITTEE**

Room 172 of the State Capitol

Wednesday, March 12, 2008 & Thursday, March 13, 2008

**NOTE: AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE**

**March 12, 2008:**

- 10:00 a.m.    **Call to Order** - Chairman Elliott
1. Roll Call
- 10:05 a.m.    **Administrative Matters**
1. Minutes
- 10:10 a.m.    **The relationship between land use and water resources**
1. Professor Michelle Bryan Mudd, UM School of Law
  2. Committee Questions
  3. Public Comment
  4. Committee discussion and action, if any
- 11:00 a.m.    **John Metesh, Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology**
1. HB 831 case study progress
  2. Montana University System Initiative and LC5007
  3. Report from Aquifer Storage, Recovery, and Recharge Seminar
  4. Committee Questions
  5. Public Comment
  6. Committee discussion and action, if any
- 12:00 p.m.    **Lunch** (on your own)
- 1:00 p.m.    **Water Marketing**
1. Brandon Scarborough, Property & Environment Research Center
  2. Rich Moy, DNRC water management bureau chief
  3. Mark Beatty, Bureau of Reclamation
  4. Bill Schenk, Fish Wildlife & Parks
  5. Mark Agenes, Trout Unlimited
  6. John Youngberg, Farm Bureau
  7. Rankin Holmes, Montana Water Trust
  8. Public Comment
  9. Committee discussion and action, if any
- 4:00 p.m.    **Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the WPIC.
- 4:30 p.m.    **Committee discussion and analysis of days topics**
- 5:30 p.m.    **WPIC Meeting Recess**

**March 13, 2008: -- WPIC meeting resumes**

**8 a.m. Growing communities doctrine**

1. Overview - Greg Petesch, staff
2. Stephen Brown, Mountain Water
3. Candace West, DNRC chief legal counsel
4. Public Comment
5. Committee discussion and action, if any

**9 a.m. HB 831 Implementation**

1. Update - Terri McLaughlin, DNRC water rights bureau chief
2. Committee Questions
3. Public comment
4. Committee discussion and action, if any

**10:00 a.m. Break**

**10:15 a.m. Discussion drafts**

1. LC5009 - Water quality. Joe Kolman, staff
2. Grant programs. Joe Kolman, staff
3. Committee priority survey
4. Public comment.
5. Committee discussion and action, if any

**12:00 p.m. Lunch** (on your own)

**1:00 p.m. Resume discussion drafts**

1. Instruction to staff.

**3:00 p.m. Committee Discussion and Analysis of days topics.**

**3:30 p.m. Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the WPIC.

**4:00 p.m. Administrative Matters**

1. WPIC budget overview - Joe Kolman, staff
2. Meeting schedule

**4:30 p.m. Adjourn.**

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